House Resolution No.

Whereas, it is always a moment of great pride when the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding citizen who has earned well-deserved distinction through the success of his commitment to community betterment; and

Whereas, Earnest Ferguson of Centralia, Missouri, has experienced the honor and the privilege of being named 2002 Citizen of the Year by the Centralia Area Chamber of Commerce; and

Whereas, Earnest Ferguson served his country with tremendous pride, loyalty, and valor as a true patriot dedicated to giving only his very best in whatever assignments came his way during his tours of duty with the United States Marine Corps and the United States Air Force; and

Whereas, Earnest Ferguson successfully fulfilled the requirements for his Diesel Mechanics License and went on to enjoy an exemplary career by working in a garage for twenty-five years, during which time he excelled in every task he had undertaken and earned the faith, trust, and respect of countless individuals who depended upon him for efficient, quality service; and

Whereas, Earnest Ferguson is also known for his expertise in landscaping and woodworking which he has so effectively utilized to make a remarkable difference in improving the beauty of the Centralia community for the enjoyment of both residents and visitors to the area; and

Whereas, Earnest Ferguson found the time in his busy schedule to serve his fellow citizens as an Alderman for seven years and three months and as a member of the Cemetery Board; and

Whereas, Earnest Ferguson has been richly blessed with the love and affection of his devoted wife, Shirley; his two children, Rita Twillmann and Sharon Eisele; and his five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously in extending hearty congratulations to Earnest Ferguson at this important milestone in his life and in wishing him only the very best in the challenging years ahead; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Earnest Ferguson, as a mark of our esteem for him.

Jim Kreider, Speaker

Offered by	
Representative Ted Farnen	
District No. 21	
I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No, adopted, 2002.	